

Great Lakes Fisheries Leadership Institute

Lake Huron Meeting # 1 (ONLY Lk Huron Participants)

Dates: September – Friday 26th / Saturday 27th

Meeting Location(s): Alpena – MDNR Research Station / Fletcher Motel

Lodging: Alpena – Fletcher Motel

First Meeting (Alpena), Agenda:
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Meeting Themes: Intro to GLFLI, Aquatic Biology / Fisheries Overview, and beginning Issues (ANS, Contaminants, etc.)

Friday, September 26th (starting @ MDNR ALPENA RESEARCH)

9-10:00 a.m. Arrival / Check-in (1-2 hr) – Coffee and Donuts

10:30am Welcome / Introduction to GLFLI (1 ½ hour)

- Purpose of GLFLI
- Overview of agendas (for all three Lake Huron sessions)
- Pre-Survey
- Discussion of Curriculum / Resource Materials (TLOTL, Binder, etc.)

Noon LUNCH (1 hr) – Sandwiches / subs

1-2:45 p.m. History and Overview of Lake Huron fishery (Jim Johnson, MDNR Fisheries)

- Introducing MDNR Fisheries Research – who they are, what they do
- Lake Huron –past and present
- Introduction to some Fisheries Management concepts
- Management issues facing Lake Huron fisheries
- GLFC Lake Huron Fish Community Objectives

Break

3-4:00 Introducing User Groups:

- Gauthier / Spaulding Commercial fishery – tour and a talk

Break

4:15-5:15 Aquatic Biology - considering fisheries in relation to whole aquatic systems
OR take advantage of “play it by ear opportunities”...
(1) Another User Group: Charter Captains (Ed Retherford)
OR
(2) Research Vessel Tour: the R/V Laurentian

5:30-7:00 p.m. Dinner / Social (1-2 hours) – fresh caught Fish Boil!!
Location T.B.A. (and relating to how late afternoon session falls out)

- Back at FLETCHER MOTEL-

7:30-8:30 p.m. Wrap-up/Reflect on Day
 - Purpose of GLFLI
 - Why issues important to G. L.
 - prepare for Saturday

8:30 p.m. Evening snacks / social event (maybe “Life of the Lakes” video?)

Saturday, September 27th

8:00 a.m. Donuts and Coffee / Overview of day – what to expect

Fishery Issues theme: Aquatic Nuisance Species

8:45-10:15 U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Angie Bowen)
 - Who they are and work they do in relation to Lake Huron
 - Discussion relating to Aquatic Nuisance Species (ANS)

10:30-noon U.S. Geological Survey / Sea Lamprey Mgt Program (Roger Bergstedt)
 - Who they are and work they do in relation to Lake Huron
 - A closer look at one ANS: Sea Lamprey

Noon LUNCH (1 hour) – Pizza

1:00-3 More Experiential Tours (Alpena Docks)
 (1) Another User Group: Charter Captains (Ed Retherford)
 (2) Research Vessel Tour: the R/V Laurentian
 OR IF THESE ARE DONE ON FRIDAY...
 Aquatic Biology - considering fisheries in relation to whole aquatic systems

3:30 Wrap-up/What’s Next?

DEPARTURE...Have a safe trip HOME!!